

## POETRY

**RETRIBUTION.**

Through alkali and cactus,  
North southern suns and moons,  
The troopers galloped onward  
Across the arid dunes;  
All marching, marching, marching:  
The bandits' lair to gain,  
To strike the vile coward,  
In vengeance for the slain.

Beyond the torrid desert,  
Through stifling storms of dust,  
Ungrateful, grim and determined,  
Their quest a sacred trust:  
All eager, bold and fearless,  
One thought in every brain—  
To strike with blows resolute,

They reached the cliffs and canyons  
Lashed by the biting gale.

And heedless of the hazard,  
Dashed up the treacherous trail,  
The band of Villa seeking  
Through blinding sleet and rain,  
To strike with sword and saber,  
In vengeance for the slain.

The blood of murdered husbands,  
Whose widows wildly weep;  
The souls of martyred women,  
Who died unstained to keep;  
The horror-stricken orphans—  
Shall not cry out in vain;  
Our warriors now are coming  
In vengeance for the slain!

—Louis M. Grio

**AN APRIL DAY.**

Propheaying Summer to the sha  
fire;

Blowing brows of forest, where  
airs are free,  
Crowned with heavenly glimpses of  
clouds and sea;  
Buds and breaking blossoms, that  
any April yields;  
Ferns and fairy grasses, the child  
in the fields;  
In the fragrant hedges' hollow  
bled gloom  
Pure primroses palling into per-  
bloom;  
Round the elm's rough stature, cling-  
ing dark and high,  
Ivy-fringes trembling against a gold  
sky;  
Woods and windy ridges darkening  
the glow;  
The rosy sunset bathing all the  
world

Starry sadness filling the quiet eye

—Laurence Binyon

## HUMOR OF THE DAY

"Walter, have you forgotten me?"  
"No, sir, not yet, sir."—*The Mail*

"You can introduce him to any of the wall flowers. He's true blue."  
"Guaranteed not to run?"—*The Record*.

Knicker—What are the prevailing policies?

Rocker—Frightfulness and wifefulness.—*New York Sun*.

"If you didn't have children and

"Why, we'd have to, of course."

Life.

Smythe—He made a living by going from bad to worse.

Smith—How could he do that?

Smythe—He was a doctor. — goyle.

"Recent research shows that I wasn't such a bad man."

"I'll concede that without a moment. But don't try to whitewash Villa."—Louisville Courier Journal.

"Why did she quit society? thought she claimed to lend distinction to it."

"She did claim she lent distinction. But she couldn't seem to collect."

Mrs. Owens—I wonder if the  
tor's wife meant anything per-

just no?"

Owens—What did she say?

Mrs. Owens—She said we might at least pay them a visit.—Boston Transcript.

"Alice, if I told you that I loved you dearly, that there was no girl in all the world for me, would you promise to be mine?"

"Would you mind telling me whether that is a proposal or a rhetorical question?"—Florida Times Union.

Head of Business—What position do you desire in our establishment?"

College Graduate—On, some  
like confidential adviser or ge  
manager!

Head of Business—Good! You have both jobs. I will make you office boy.—*Dallas News.*

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**THE KALEIDOSCOPE**

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Argentina last year produced 900 barrels of oil.

The United States in 1913 sold \$55,510 worth of goods to Sweden.

There is a parish in Paris which has had only three priests during last 100 years.

sonally attends all the trial tests of the new French guns.

Including all the movements of earth, a person travels 85,355 miles taking a three-mile walk.

The theory of a central sun rotating earth was conceived by Greek philosopher 500 years before Christ.

A large force of German railroad officials has arrived in Serbia to organize the railway system of the country.

Elimination by the war of B

ed prosperity to Sweden's  
making industry.

Saco, Me., has just opened its theatre, although the city was settled in 1823, incorporated in 1718 and attained its city charter in 1867.

Fresno county, Cal., produces 600,000 pounds, or about 60 per cent of the California raisin crop, nearly twice the quantity produced in Spain.

They are agitating the question of digging a canal along the south shore of Long Island. Evidently there is enough water around Long Island

Although British railroads

fourth among the nations in mileage, they carry more passengers every year than are carried by any other country.

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Without resort to computational new nautical instrument, mounted over a ship's compass, enables the directions of objects and their distance away to be determined.

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All residents of Byers, Kan., united in a pledge not to drink, or chew for one year. It is said that this year's crop of cheer-

breaker.

It is understood that the beam searchlight projectors used at Panama-Pacific International station for obtaining the "wombat" effects have been bought for the use of the Russian Army in the war.